S. 955

To provide grants for the renovation, modernization or construction of law enforcement facilities.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 11, 2011

Mr. Kerry introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Protect Those Who
- 5 Serve Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
- 7 In this Act:
- 8 (1) Law enforcement facilities.—The
- 9 term "law enforcement facilities" means any build-

- ing or facilities that houses State or local public safety officers that have law enforcement standing.
- 3 (2) State.—The term "State" means each of
- 4 the several States, the District of Columbia, the
- 5 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth
- 6 of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa,
- 7 Guam, the Virgin Islands, any territory or posses-
- 8 sion of the United States, and any Indian tribe.

9 SEC. 3. GRANTS.

- 10 The Attorney General is authorized to make grants
- 11 to States for the renovation, modernization, and construc-
- 12 tion of law enforcement facilities.

13 SEC. 4. MATCHING REQUIREMENT.

- 14 (a) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—The matching re-
- 15 quirements for this Act are as follows:
- 16 (1) Law enforcement facilities serving popu-
- lations of over 50,000 or more shall agree to match
- the Federal grant funds with an amount of non-Fed-
- eral funds equal to 20 percent of the total project
- 20 cost.
- 21 (2) Law enforcement facilities serving popu-
- lations between 20,000 and 50,000 shall agree to
- 23 match the Federal grant funds with an amount of
- 24 non-Federal funds equal to 10 percent of the total
- project cost.

- 1 (3) Law enforcement facilities serving areas
- with a population of 20,000 or fewer shall agree to
- 3 match the Federal grant funds with an amount of
- 4 non-Federal funds equal to 5 percent of the total
- 5 project cost.
- 6 (b) Cost-Share.—For purposes of this section, the
- 7 regional projects' cost-share shall be based on the total
- 8 population and demographics of the entire region.

9 SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.

- 10 The Attorney General shall prescribe requirements,
- 11 including application requirements, for grants under the
- 12 program under this Act.

13 SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 14 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
- 15 this Act \$500,000,000 for fiscal years 2012 through 2017.

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